

# GOV. MAJOR RAPS THE CLUB WOMEN

He Resents Their Interference With State Institutions.

## NOT TO BELIEVE IDLE TALK

Kansas City Club Will Not Be Allowed to Make an Independent Investigation of the Chillicothe School.

Jefferson City.—Governor Major, in giving out the report of the recent investigation of the Industrial School for Girls at Chillicothe, made a statement in which he lectured the clubwomen of Kansas City for taking seriously every irresponsible statement circulated about conditions at the school.

The committee which made the investigation was composed of Miss Mary Perry of St. Louis, the Rev. James N. Crutcher of Neosho and James F. Conran of St. Louis, members of the board of charities. Their report was that the "institution is in good condition and one of the best managed in the country."

The governor absolutely declined to permit a committee of Kansas City clubwomen to make an independent investigation, and in response to that demand gave out this statement:

"The legislature may have possibly overlooked the fact that there are in every community a few persons who think they can run the state and its institutions much better than the elective and appointive officers; who can suggest methods much better than those prescribed by law, yet such aid is not available inasmuch as the legislature has failed to provide the ways and means of securing this valuable assistance.

"Until the legislature can or does in some way provide for the conservation and use of this natural and valuable resource the state must move along in the even tenor of its way and calmly and without hysteria follow and obey the statutes as the legislature has written them.

"I will not appoint any members of some women's clubs at Kansas City to make an investigation, the law having specifically provided other ways and means as herewith stated.

"While I have great respect for and am much interested in the women's club at Kansas City, I have also great respect for and am much interested in the other million of women of the state who are closely identified with the interests of the state and their firesides."

The statement of Treasurer E. P. Deal, filed with Governor Major at the close of business in October, shows the condition of the state treasury as follows: Balance on hand September 30, \$3,999,407.64; receipts during October, \$843,788.34; disbursements during October, \$617,821.24; balance October 31, \$4,225,374.74. Earnings of the penitentiary for the month were \$30,265.29. Collections paid into the game protection fund were \$3,976.19, and disbursements out of this fund were \$2,833.60. There is a total in the several good roads funds of \$227,408.68, arising from the following sources: Registration of automobiles, \$106,342.36. Sale of option stamps, \$17,134.07; corporation registration fees, \$69,510.45; general state road fund, \$34,321.80.

Governor Major and quite a delegation of state officers, department clerks and Democratic "statesmen" generally, departed from Jefferson City the other day for Moberly, where they were guests of the Randolph County Coon Club at the annual hunt of that organization.

The following governors of other states are expected to attend the good roads meeting at St. Louis this month: George Hodges, Kansas; William H. Mann, Virginia; G. W. Clark, Iowa; L. B. Hanna, North Dakota; W. F. Frier, Hawaii; James B. McCreary, Kentucky; E. F. Dunne, Illinois; H. D. Hatfield, West Virginia; S. V. Stewart, Montana; J. W. Haines, Idaho; Hark Trammel, Florida; John R. Miller, Delaware; Edgar A. Foss, Massachusetts; Elias M. Ammons, Colorado; George W. P. Hunt, Arizona; Oswald West, Oregon; Ernest C. Lister, Washington; P. L. Oddie, Nevada; Lee Cruise, Oklahoma; Ben M. Herper, Tennessee; A. J. Pothier, Rhode Island; P. H. Goldsborough, Maryland; George W. Hays, Arkansas; A. O. Everhart, Minnesota; Cole Bleasie, South Carolina; O. B. Colquitt, Texas; Emmett O'Neal, Alabama; W. C. McDonald, New Mexico.

The women's clubs of Holden and Warrensburg, in connection with the medical society, will hold a "better babies contest" during Thanksgiving week, in which the prizes will be awarded according to a score card.

Attorney General John T. Barker and E. T. Bean, general counsel for the Missouri public service commission, announce that they will prepare a mandamus to file in the supreme court of the United States to compel Judge Smith McPherson of the Kansas City federal court to relinquish jurisdiction of suits that may be brought for the recovery of excess freight and passenger rates paid by citizens of the state during the pendency of the litigation over the rate laws.

Jefferson City.—It is but a question of time before Missouri will be known internationally for its medicinal, health restoring mineral springs which exist so plentifully over the state and be the Lourdes of America, in the opinion of John T. Fitzpatrick, commissioner of the bureau of labor statistics, expressed in a bulletin on this subject.

Information the bureau of labor statistics has gathered indicates that half a million men and women annually visit the medicinal springs of the state, drink and bathe in the waters for a week or two, and return home improved physically and mentally. Excelsior Springs, in Clay county, twenty-five miles northeast of Kansas City, is credited with being the Mecca for two hundred thousand visitors every year, more than half coming from states to the north and west of Missouri.

Then there are the medicinal springs at La Grange and Canton in Lewis county, at Bowling Green in Pike county, American Springs and Old Orchard Springs in St. Louis county, at Eldorado and Jerico in Cedar county, at Liberty in Clay county, at Blue Lick in Saline county, Bokert Springs at De Soto in Jefferson county, at Carrollton in Carroll county, at Paris Springs in Lawrence county, near Booneville in Cooper county, at Nevada in Vernon county, at Monegan Springs in St. Clair county, near Kansas City, Independence and Mount Washington in Jackson county, at Windsor and Clinton in Henry county, near Sedalia in Pettis county, near the north of Mercer in Mercer county, near Chillicothe in Livingston county, at Sweet Spring in Saline county, Belcher Springs in St. Louis, and a hundred others with lesser fame in the Ozark regions divide the other three hundred thousand visitors between them.

At most of the springs mentioned are large hotels amply able to care for the visitors. Others will be erected as the fame of the curative qualities of Missouri's springs spreads through the country. As it is now, millions of gallons of the medicated health restoring waters run to waste for the reason that the flow, which never lessens or loses its virtues, exceeds the demand. The mineral springs of Missouri are responsible for an industry which, though still in its infancy, is growing year by year as new territories are conquered, bringing more renown to the state and more money for the promoters. The curative waters are bottled and shipped in large quantities to St. Louis, Kansas City, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia and other large cities.

The Sunday Amusement League of St. Louis recently sent a communication to Secretary of State Roach informing him that it purposes to submit a law under the initiative and referendum at the general election in 1914 under which dramshops may keep open Sundays between 1 and 11 p. m. A copy of the petition the league is to circulate accompanied the communication with the request that the secretary inform the officers of the league if it is the proper form. Secretary Roach says the form of the petition meets all the requirements of the law. The objects of the organization are stated to be: "To amend the Sunday closing law, to help revive the Sunday excursion business, to make St. Louis a progressive metropolitan city, to help get that million population for St. Louis, to let the voters themselves decide the question of regulating dramshop hours at the regular 1914 election." The officers of the league are: D. A. Deer, president; John D. Knapp, secretary, and William A. Carter, attorney. The headquarters of the league is Room 704 Houser Building, St. Louis. To submit this proposition at the next general election the league will have to obtain 5 per cent of the legal voters in eleven of the sixteen congressional districts.

Unless new quarries are developed in Missouri that can supply stone that will measure up to the standard fixed for the new state commission are apprehensive that the state will be the victim of a combine and that prices will be boosted to a point that will make the money voted for the structure insufficient to complete the building. As the matter stands the commission is practically at the mercy of quarries in two counties, these two counties having the only limestone quarries that come near the requirements, and which are operated on a scale large enough to furnish stone as rapidly as needed.

A burning waste basket, ignited by a cigar stub or lighted match inadvertently dropped into it, caused no little excitement in the office of Secretary of State Roach the other day. It was burning freely when discovered and quite a section of the velvet carpet covering the floor was ruined before Corporation Clerk James Walsh and Record Clerk C. H. Colley could open a window and throw the blazing basket into the yard below.

While out walking with a number of other university students at Columbia, Miss Lottie Roberts of Lancaster fell twenty-five feet from a railroad trestle into a small creek and broke her right leg. Her companions borrowed a farm wagon to take her to a hospital.

Fred W. Fleming of Kansas City has notified Governor Major that on account of business duties he cannot accept an appointment on the Panama-Pacific Exposition board for this state.

# A WEEK IN MISSOURI

INTERESTING NEWS ITEMS GATHERED FROM MANY SOURCES THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

## HUNTERS CATCH A WILD MAN

Queer Game Captured by Members of the Randolph County Coon Club—Seven Hundred Participate in Annual Hunt.

Nearly 700 persons participate in the events at the camp of the Randolph County Coon Club recently.

Five squads of hunters with more than 100 hounds left camp at 10 o'clock at night and plunged into the sycamore forest on the bank of Elk Fork creek. Edward Goltra of St. Louis, national Democratic committeeman, had the distinction of bringing down the first coon. He, with other members of his party, including Judge Charles Clark and Judge Thomas J. Seehorn of Kansas City, had also the unenviable distinction of remaining in the dense woods all night, the guides losing their way and forcing the members of the party to walk to Evansville before regaining their bearings.

Another party headed by Mayor Rolla Rothwell had the unique experience of driving a "wild man" from the brush. The man was finally surrounded and captured by the party and brought to camp. After he had been fed and given liquid refreshments he told the hunters his name is Thomas Siebler and that he has lived in the woods on the hunting preserves since 1890, following a disappointment in love. His clothing is of fur from rabbits, foxes, coons and possums.

Siebler had made but one trip to a large city in his life, he said, that being in 1889, when he went to St. Louis to buy a wooden leg. Since then he has fashioned another limb from a tree he cut down. He has lived close to nature so long that he has developed into a bee trainer. Just above the ankle of his wooden leg he has carved a hole in which he keeps bees, and he carries other bees in a "stove pipe" hat of antiquated fashion. He proved most entertaining to the many guests of the club.

## Hog Cholera Combated.

Dr. J. W. Connaway, veterinarian from the Missouri University experiment station; D. H. Doane, head of the farm management department of the university, and C. M. Long, farm expert, have finished a series of lectures to the farmers of Johnson county preliminary to the "county cleanup" of hog cholera. The series of lectures was ordered by the experiment station at the urgent petition of the farmers of Johnson county, where hog cholera has been ravaging the herds for several years. Talks were made to farmers at nineteen different points. At each place a club was formed to combat the plague. Following the lectures M. I. Hurley, another veterinarian of the station, has started on his work of "cleaning up" the infected districts. He will visit every farm in the county where hog cholera exists. Infected animals will be quarantined in pens so constructed with woven wire that it will be impossible for any disease carrying animal to gain access. All hogs which have been exposed will be vaccinated and quarantined. The farms will be cleaned up and disinfected with air slaked lime. Dr. Hurley will teach the farmers how to raise good hogs by feeding properly balanced rations and by keeping their herds free from parasites.

## Skull Fractured by Mule's Kick.

C. D. Scott, 82, a pioneer farmer of Jasper county, was kicked by a mule at his farm near Carthage and fatally injured. His skull was fractured.

## Turns Blue; Sues Physician.

Claiming a medicine prescribed for him has caused his skin to turn blue, William H. Thomas has brought suit against a practicing physician at Springfield for \$15,000 damages. Thomas says he used the medicine for more than a year and that lately his skin began to discolor until now it approaches a deep indigo hue. He says his friends avoid contact with him and that he has become an object of ridicule.

## Farmer Died in Snowstorm.

James Cottengill, a widely known farmer living nine miles west of Mountain Grove, is dead from exposure in the recent snowstorm. Cottengill started for home and was thrown from his horse and rendered unconscious, suffering the storm's fury all that night and next morning.

## Warrensburg to Vote on More Bonds.

The city council of Warrensburg has called an election for December 16 to vote \$30,000 in bonds for street improvements. If the issue carries, \$70,000 for municipal improvements will have been voted by Warrensburg this year.

## Strange Birds at Rich Hill.

A large flock of birds, strange in this vicinity, reached Rich Hill from the north between 9 and 11 o'clock at night and immediately began flying in confusion against business buildings and residences. Hundreds of the birds were picked up dead the next morning all over town. The supposition is they were attracted by the bright lights and became blinded in their flight. Those versed in ornithology claim the birds are the German canary, the females closely resembling our domesticated canary.

## Saloon Mandamus Killed.

Mandamus suits brought by saloon keepers to compel county courts to grant saloon licenses were dealt a severe blow by Judge Ellison in the Kansas City Court of Appeals the other day. The case under review was that of William Heller, who had brought mandamus proceedings against the county court of Livingston county to compel the licensing of a saloon near Chillicothe. The license had been refused, although the saloon keeper claimed a two-thirds majority. Judge Ellison held that when the court passes on the question of two-thirds majority and good moral character, it is performing a judicial act, and its decisions are not subject to a mandamus suit. The decision is final and absolute.

The facts in the case are similar to those in the mandamus suits brought by three saloon keepers to force the county court of Jackson county to grant licenses for saloons near the Lincoln High school in Kansas City. The licenses were refused because of the proximity of the saloons, and the saloons, supposedly backed by the breweries, brought the mandamus suits coupled with a demand for damages. The decision of Judge Ellison probably will be used as a basis for an appeal to have these Jackson county suits thrown out of court.

## Harvested the Thawed Apples.

By permitting the apples to remain on the trees to thaw out, Ozark orchardists believe that the damage to the fruit from the recent freezing weather will not be nearly so great as was first feared. There are still thousands of bushels of fancy fruit to be picked. By picking the apples before another freeze comes, it is believed the fruit can be saved. Double crews of pickers are at work in the orchards where there are heavy crops and in many communities the picking was not halted for Sunday. George Logan, one of the largest growers in Lawrence county, has 1,500 barrels of apples that have not been picked. Despite the fact that the crop was apparently ruined, he took chances and left the fruit alone. The apples have thawed and will bring practically the same prices that the fruit picked earlier in the season sold for. Many other orchardists in that section followed his advice and permitted the apples to thaw on the trees before attempting to harvest them.

## Christian Endeavor Elects.

Oliver Blackenton of St. Louis was elected president of the Missouri Christian Endeavor Union, which has just concluded at Kirksville its twenty-sixth annual convention. Other officers are: Vice president, J. C. Duffenback, Independence; treasurer, Ben F. Dixon, Kahoka; secretary, Agnes Hilman, St. Louis; statistical secretary, Anne Fleming, Columbia; superintendent, "Quiet Hour," W. F. Bradley, Lock Spring; intermediate, Roxey Cassidy, Springfield; junior, Dora Clemmens, St. Louis; St. Louis; missionary, Jane Thompson; evangelistic, C. H. Newham, Carversville; social and introduction, Rose Lacey, Kansas City; tenth legion, Mrs. Edward Webster, Dexter; efficiency, Miss Lena Sargent; citizenship and press, W. S. Dray, Savannah.

## D. A. R. to Springfield in 1914.

The annual state conference of the Missouri Daughters of the American Revolution, which has been in session three days at Lexington, adjourned after the election of these officers: Mrs. Mark S. Salsbury of Independence, regent; Mrs. Margaret A. Owen, St. Joseph, vice regent; Mrs. John T. Doneghy of Macon, registrar; Miss Elizabeth Austin of Carrollton, historian; Mrs. A. E. Sarberour, secretary, and Mrs. H. W. Johnson, treasurer. Springfield was selected as the place for holding the meeting next year.

## Will Fight Loss by Fires.

Superintendent of Insurance Revelle has formulated a plan to organize the state into about thirty fire prevention districts and will hold a meeting at some accessible place in each district as soon as is practicable. He will personally attend each of these meetings and in conjunction with Means Ray, chief clerk in the insurance department, will aid in the organization and deliver an address and make suggestions as to how to reduce the fire loss and the insurance costs.

## Governor Major will attend as many as possible and speak along similar lines.

Representatives from each town and community will be invited and urged to attend and become members of the local organization.

## A \$15,000 Fire at Coffey.

The bank and a general merchandise store at Coffey, a small town between Plattsburg and Trenton, on the Quincy, Omaha & Kansas City Railroad, burned recently. Two buildings were destroyed, with a loss of \$10,000, and the loss on contents was about \$5,500.

## Corn Prizes in Pettis County.

Four hundred dollars in cash and a like sum in merchandise will be awarded in prizes at the annual corn show of the Pettis County Bureau of Agriculture, to be held December 1 to 6, inclusive.

## Farmer to Prison for Murder.

Frank Shuster, a farmer living south of Butler, was convicted the other day of killing George Booth last April and given ten years in the penitentiary.

# HUERTA WILL CALL MEXICO CONGRESS

NOTE TO DIPLOMATS ASSERTS INTENTION TO CARRY OUT ANOTHER ELECTION.

## WILL ABIDE BY VOTE RESULT

Dictator Betrays No Sign of Yielding to Demand of United States—May Force Washington to Publish Huerta's Reply.

City of Mexico.—In the formal note to the foreign diplomats Gen. Huerta, after calling attention to the efforts he had made to pacify the country and dwelling at length upon his reasons for dissolving congress, makes the direct statement that the newly elected congress will be installed within a few days and will pass upon the election of the president and vice president.

Gen. Huerta reminds the diplomats that prior to the elections he told them neither he nor Gen. Blanquet would accept an election on the ground his own election would be illegal, and he calls to the attention of the diplomatic representatives the conference which he had with the presidential candidates, at which he obtained their promise to abide by the result of the elections, even should no one obtain the necessary number of votes.

## Huerta Takes It Coolly.

Government officials, foreign residents and the people of Mexico realize that the relations between this country and the United States are strained almost to the point of war, but there is perhaps no man in the entire republic who knows one day what Washington will do the next.

John Lind himself, who represents the president of the United States, is ignorant of the affairs of his chief and if Gen. Huerta is anxious at all regarding what may develop he does not betray it. Although he has sent to the diplomatic representatives of the foreign nations a note, which in effect is a defiance of Washington, he was conspicuous in the cafes about town long after the midnight hour and indulged in relaxation in the company of his military friends.

More uneasiness is apparent at the American embassy than at the national palace. At the palace the opinion was freely expressed, not infrequently accompanied by sneers, that the United States would never intervene in Mexico.

It is considered that Huerta's open note to the diplomats will make it impossible for Washington longer to withhold the exact character of Huerta's reply, which was made last week, and that this publicity will make some more definite step necessary immediately.

Although Mr. Lind appears not to have made progress toward altering the opinions of the British minister, Sir Lionel Carden, his relations with the German minister seem to be much closer. Adfrial Paul Von Hintze, the German minister, was the guest of Mr. Lind at a luncheon.

## Gaby Deslys Sails for New York.

London.—Gaby Deslys, the French music hall singer and dancer, with whom ex-King Manuel was once infatuated, sailed for New York, en route to California.

## Girl Knocks Down Three Insulters.

Denver.—Annie Corley, 13, weight 180 pounds, knocked out three insulters who accosted her on the street. One was still unconscious when the patrol wagon arrived.

## Murder Jury Disagrees.

Fulton, Mo.—The jury which heard the trial of Edward Wilson on a charge of murder was discharged after deliberating 54 hours. The jury agreed on a verdict of guilty of first degree murder, but five held out for capital punishment.

## Vincent Astor to Wed.

New York.—Vincent Astor is engaged to be married. The future Mrs. Astor is Miss Helen Dinsmore Huntington, herself an heiress and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert P. Huntington of Hopland House, Staatsburg, N. Y.

## Washington.—Secretary McAdoo

awarded a silver medal to Patrolman James J. Moynihan of the New York police department for bravery in saving William Shannon from drowning, May 7, 1913.

## New York.—Another heir to the

Harriman millions was born to Mrs. Charles Carey Rumsey, a daughter of Mrs. E. H. Harriman, widow of the railway magnate. The child, the second of the Rumseys, is a daughter.

## Thaw's Case to Federal Court.

Concord, N. H.—Gov. Felker signed the extradition papers for the return of Harry K. Thaw to New York on the request of Gov. Glynn. Thaw's habeas corpus case will now be tried in the federal court.

## Stabbed by Three at Door.

Rock Island, Ill.—The mysterious murder of John Schoessler remains unexplained. As he opened the door of his home at 11 o'clock at night he was set upon by three men. One of them drove a knife into his heart.

# MAN HE WAS LOOKING FOR

Mr. Cutlets Could Give Steady Job to Applicant With Such Qualification.

Mr. Underdone Cutlets, proprietor of the Speedy cafe, was notoriously hard-hearted. The most weeping widow who ever graced a melodrama couldn't have wept a slice of stale bread out of his restaurant without the price. So, when a pale and timorous bum approached the desk and made a faltering appeal, it was no surprise to the lunch fiends to hear a curt "Nothing doing. Beat it." "I'm not a beggar," retorted the hungry man. "I'm willing to scrub floors or wash dishes. I'm just out of prison and nobody will give me work. I'm starving." The proprietor portrayed a faint interest. "What were you in for?" he asked idly. "I'll tell you the truth," explained the ex-convict. "I was a kind of a counterfeiter. I used to take a \$100 bill and split it in two with a razor. Then, I'd paste the halves together, so I'd have two centuries, if the sucker didn't look on both sides. It took 'em five years to catch me." Mr. Cutlets beckoned the ex-prisoner behind the bar. "Order what you like on the house," he whispered. "I've got a steady job for you. I'll give you thirty a week to slice the ham for my sandwiches."—Lippincott's.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, \$6 a bottle.

# JOHN ALSO NEEDED MONEY

As It Turned Out, Wife Need Not Have Been Afraid of What He Might Say.

It was Christmas eve. A beautiful woman sat staring dolefully at the embers of the fire.

"Christmas eve," she murmured, and no money to buy baby a Christmas gift."

Slowly her eyes wandered round the room until, with a guilty start, they rested on something standing on the mantelpiece.

It was baby's money box. Her hands clutched the chair convulsively. "If I only dared!" she murmured. "But what would John say?"

For a few moments she stood debating the awful question in her mind, and then she took the box in her hands.

"John need never know," she whispered. Then, with guilty face, she broke open the box and emptied on to the table a collection of—tin tacks, nails, etc.

John had been there first.

## Where He Was Lucky.

Two Little Rock negroes engaged in a quarrel, when one struck the other on the head with a wagon spoke. The negro that had received the blow rubbed his head for a moment and then said:

"Look yere, Stephen, dar's one thing dat is er powerful bleasin' fur you."

"What's dat?"

"De fact dat my haid is ez thick ez it is. W'y, ef my haid wa'n't no thicker den de common run o' haid, dat lick would er killed me, an' den you would er been tick befo' er justice o' de peace an' fined mighty nigh \$20. You'd better thank de Lawd dat I alid'nt got one dese yere alg shell haid."

## Near Tragedy.

A Pittsburgh millionaire stood beside his \$8,000,000 automobile wondering where to go next.

A woman whom he had known rushed out of the hotel and sought to solve this problem for him in a hurry. She shot at him, but, of course, she did not hit him.

Instead the bullet punctured the chauffeur's leg.

"Great guns, that was a narrow escape!" exclaimed the millionaire. "She might have punctured a tire!"

## Any Way He Wanted.

The Professor—Boy, get me a fly. New Page—Yes, sir. Dead or alive, sir?—Punch.

## WORKS ALL DAY

And Studies at Night on Grape-Nuts Food.

Some of the world's great men have worked during the day and studied evenings to fit themselves for greater things. But it requires a good constitution generally to do this.

A Ga. man was able to keep it up with ease after he had learned the sustaining power of Grape-Nuts, although he had failed in health before he changed his food supply. He says:

"Three years ago I had a severe attack of stomach trouble which left me unable to eat anything but bread and water.

"The nervous strain at my office from 6 A. M. to 6 P. M. and improper foods caused my health to fall rapidly. Cereal and so-called 'Foods' were tried without benefit until I saw Grape-Nuts mentioned in the paper.

"In hopeless desperation I tried this food and at once gained strength, flesh and appetite. I am now able to work all day at the office and study at night, without the nervous exhaustion that was usual before I tried Grape-Nuts.

"It leaves me strengthened, refreshed, satisfied; nerves quieted and toned up, body and brain waste restored. I would have been a living skeleton, or more likely a dead one by this time, if it had not been for Grape-Nuts."

Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs. "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.